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PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | - | Highest Number Previously Paid For | = | Number of Extra Claims Present | X | Rate | = | Additional Fee |
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| Total Claims | 6 | - | 34 | = | 0 | X | \$18.00 | = | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | - | 4 | = | 0 | X | \$86.00 | = | 0.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | | | | 0.00 |

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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